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THE AUSTRIAN - INDONESIAN CONNECTION

- o The Austrian representative abstains from voting at the UNO since the Indonesian invasion in East-Timor
- o Austria is since 1986 a full-member of the IGGI and granted in January 1987 a credit of 3oo mio. Austrian Schilling at the rate of 3.5%
- o The Austrian-Indonesian relations were intensified during the last two years, after o lot of visits on both sides
  - the Indonesian Minister for Finance Prawiro in Vienna (June 1984)
  - the then Austrian Minister for Trade Steger in Jakarta
  - the then Austrian foreign-Minister Gratz in Jakarta (feb. 1986)
  - the Indonesian Minister for Research and Technology Habibie in Austria (1985), where he held talks with representatives of the Austrian enterprises VÖEST, STEYR-DAIMLER-PUCH-AG (both nationalised!) and ALV, all three are engaged in arms production and exports.
  - an Indonesian delegation of traders in Vienna, invited by the Austrian chamber of commerce
  - General ret. Hendrato (Oct. 1986) informed at the Indonesian embassy in Vienna Austrian arms exporters, who want to attend the arms fair DEFINDO'87 in Jakarta from 6 to 9 oct. 1987.
    General Hendrato is one of the directors of the fair, his address for information is: Kemang Raya 8, Jakarta 1273o; telex 47392
  - in jan. 1985 some Austrian enterprises under guidance of the largest bank of Austria (Creditanstalt) founded the "ACT" (Austrian Contractors and Traders) in Jakarta; this firm represents the Austrian enterprises in Southeast-Asia!

An example is the projected joint venture of Steyr-Daimler-Puch to produce machine-guns im Malaysia, or the export of the "Bull-cannon" GHN-45, which is produced by a VÖEST-subsidiary, to Malaysia and Thailand.
After the visit of Habibie in Vienna we assume similar activities in Indonesia (especially exports via Malaysia).

TRADE:
exports: 500-700 mio. AS 5-7 Milliarden Schilling
main goods: machines, paper, iron and steel,
chemical and pharmaceutical products
imports: 300-500 mio. AS 3-5 Milliarden Schilling
main goods: coffee, cacao, spices, wood, oil
no reliable data about arms trade available!

Steyr-Daimler-Puch exported 1976 350 military-trucks to Indonesia, and we have the information that they sold 1986 200 military-trucks (not officially confirmed).

TO ALL COMMITTEES
please contact the Austrian embassy in your country about the Austrian support for Indonesia, especially arms-exports and IGGI, and protest against it. Urge more Austrian support for East-Timor at the UN !

If you get answers, please send us a copy.

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